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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 AND 1.143

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 1998, setting forth a
restriction requirement, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R.
§§ 1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject
matter of Group I, Claims 1-5, directed to immortalized, homozygous Stat-1
deficient mammalian cell lines.

REMARKS

In the requirement for restriction, Applicants were required to elect one
of the following groups of invention:

- I. Claims 1-5, directed to Stat-1 deficient cell lines; and
- II. Claims 6-34, directed to methods of producing viral stocks and
to assay methods using the cell lines.

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